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LEEWARD ISLANDS.

*Quarantine against plague.*ANTIGUA, *November 2, 1899.*

SIR: I beg to inform you that by proclamation published this date through an extraordinary issue of the Official Gazette, the following places have been declared by the executive council of the Leeward Islands to be infected ports or places under the quarantine act of 1876, such places being infected with bubonic plague, viz: Alexandria, Calcutta, Mauritius, Bombay, Hongkong, Oporto, Santos, and the State of Paraguay.

Respectfully,

HENRY M. HUNT,
United States Consul.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

MEXICO.

*Final report on inspection service in Mexico.*CITY OF MEXICO, MEXICO, *November 15, 1899.*

SIR: Having closed at noon to-day the inspection work in the Republic of Mexico, and having just reported to you by wire, I have the honor to make my last report as follows: At the City of Mexico since my last report (November 6), 43 passengers have been inspected, 42 passed, and 1 detained and baggage (4 pieces) disinfected. At Monterey since November 4, 41 passengers were inspected and passed. At San Luis Potosi since November 4, 11 passengers have been inspected and passed. The total number of passengers inspected at the City of Mexico this season (from July 5 to November 15) was 1,951; of this number 80 were from infected places, and were detained and their baggage disinfected. The number of passengers remanded or reported to the border is not included in this report, as it is believed that this work will be duly set forth in the respective reports of the border medical officers. The total number of passengers inspected at Monterey was 959, of which 18 were detained and baggage disinfected. The total number of passengers inspected and passed at San Luis Potosi was 230. I am very grateful to a large number of persons for their kindly cooperation and assistance in connection with this quarantine work, and I regret that the lack of space prevents me from thanking them, as they deserve, individually.

Of the United States consular service I wish to mention Mr. Andrew D. Barlow, consul-general at the City of Mexico and Mr. James R. Hardy, his vice and deputy consul-general. Mr. Philip Carroll, vice and deputy consul-general at Monterey, Mr. Charles Burr Towle, consul at Saltillo, Mr. Samuel E. Magill, consul at Tampico, and Mr. William Headen, consular agent at Pueblo. Of the Marine-Hospital Service, I wish to make special mention of the valuable assistance rendered by Act. Asst. Surg. Samuel H. Hodgson at Vera Cruz. Acting Assistant Surgeons Turpin, Slabey, and Lloyd at the City of Mexico, Monterey, and San Luis Potosi, respectively, performed their duty in a highly creditable manner. Of the railway officials who gave their hearty cooperation in this work, there were Vice-President and General Manager H. R. Nickerson, Assistant General Manager F. B. McKercher, and Assistant General Passenger Agent W. D. Murdock of the Mexican Central Railway Company, and General Passenger Agent W. B. Ryan of the Mexican National Railway.